

Natural Resource Advisory Group

5.23.2023 Minutes

Present:, Betsy Knowles, Marge Loch-Wouters, Jason Ludwigson, Ruth Nissen, Randy Urich, Bill Waller

- I. On site meeting therefore no old business - May minutes will be reviewed at July meeting

II. New Business

A. Proposed dog park site off South 7th Street - on site

1. Estimated proposed size and placement on city property. Advised that the shape of the dog park follows the contour of land which is most level.
2. Discussed maintaining trees for erosion control and shade, and removal of brush with replacement of ground cover to reduce impaction.
3. Reviewed options for access gate and placement of parking lot. Suggested hedge or other barrier to reduce impact on nearby housing.
4. City will detail the area with a topo map for review.

B. View and discuss erosion on Stoney Point - on site

1. Viewed damage on sandy soils on the trail approaching the south base of Stoney Point. Discussed signage to keep bikes off this short fragile stretch. This would not impact the other trails.
2. Viewed erosion of footpath on southeast base of Stoney Point. One year comparison photos highlight the rapid change. Discussed signage directing hikers to use an alternative route to the west. Discussed other erosion mitigating measures. This is an issue addressed in the most recent park plan

C. Other

1. Discussed a trail maintenance day.
2. Looked for survey markings crossing existing trails.

Next meeting: July 13, 2023 at 3:45 pm